

BIG LOS ANGELES SWINDLE EXPOSED, GLIB PAIR JAILED

LOS ANGELES, May 8.—While attorneys today were raising \$150,000 bail money for the release of Harry Hibbs and Thomas Hennessey, alleged "six billion dollar rail merger" swindlers, jailed here last Thursday, federal and county investigators were probing deeper into the past of the two suspects for additional details of their operations in this and other states.

That Hibbs and Hennessey talked of a \$100,000,000 deal for the control of the Bank of Italy, the \$100,000,000 being "put up by Henry Ford," and mentioned in passing the proposed construction by them of a \$10,000,000 corn products factory in San Diego, was revealed last night by Lawrence McCord, special agent of the inter-state commerce commission.

McCord said he was ordered to look into Hibbs-Hennessey schemes when the commission learned that it was purported to have \$5,000,000-000 "in escrow," pending the consummation of the railroad merger described by Hibbs and Hennessey and that large sums had been used to "fix" the commission so that it would approve the merger.

He said he posed as an eastern capitalist and was invited by Hibbs to invest \$25,000 in the Hibbs-Hennessey venture with the assurance that he would be "paid off" with Bank of Italy stock at a ten to one profit, as soon as the \$100,000,000 Bank of Italy deal went through.

Most of the motion picture directors, county employees and business men said to have contributed the \$200,000 alleged to have been collected by the pair in and about Los Angeles expected to be repaid to one when the six billion dollar rail merger materialized. Investigators said another \$200,000 was contributed by investors in Santa Barbara and District Attorney Keyes expected to unearth in San Francisco today other traces of Hibbs and Hennessey's merger movement. Yesterday a former assistant of Hennessey was quoted by investigators as saying the pair also had "cleaned up more than \$1,000,000 in Cleveland."

HEAVY RAINFALL IN WILLAMETTE VALLEY

EUGENE, Ore., May 11.—Rainfall here yesterday was the heaviest of any May day since 1912, according to Gerard DeBroekert, weather observer. A total precipitation of .83 of an inch was recorded.

On May 10, 1911, a total precipitation of .94 of an inch was recorded and on May 18, 1912, it was .95 of an inch.

The downpour was augmented by a thunder shower in the late afternoon.

MOTHER RELEASED FROM ASYLUM IS TRAGEDY VICTIM

NEW YORK, May 11.—Mrs. William Angerer was back in her own home today discharged as cured from the state hospital for the insane at Central Islip, Long Island, but broken by the news that the seven months old son, whom she had not seen since a month after its birth, had vanished from the "baby farm" of Mrs. Helen Auguste Geisen-Volk.

All knowledge of the child's mysterious disappearance and the baby substitution charge brought by her husband against Mrs. Geisen-Volk had been kept from the mother and it was not until her release after six months confinement in the hospital, last night, that she was told.

Police said that 23 children died at the "baby farm" since January 1, 1924. Mrs. Geisen-Volk is a former German Red Cross nurse and widow of a Prussian army officer.

Assistant District Attorney Ryan, in charge of the investigation of Mrs. Geisen-Volk's operations said that no tract could be found of the Angerer baby or of the child he said was offered him in substitution.

Mrs. Geisen-Volk was held for the grand jury in \$35,000 bail on the charge of child substitution, and in \$1000 bail for alleged violation of the terms of her city license in keeping a score of children at her nursing home when her permit called for but seven.

CLAIM A. A. U. SECY. WHITEWASHED POLE

DES MOINES, Iowa, May 11.—(By Associated Press.) Saying that F. W. Rubien, national secretary of the Amateur Athletic union "had assumed the role of defender rather than investigator," in considering charges that Hugo Quist, manager for Paavo Nurmi and Willie Ritola, had asked an exorbitant expense account for the appearance of the Finnish runners at the Drake relay carnival here last month, Kenneth L. Wilson, athletic director at Drake university in a statement made public last night declared that he was "not surprised that the A. A. U. whitewashed Nurmi, Ritola and Quist from all charges."

Prince of Wales Rides Veldt Without a Fall

COLESBURG, Union of South Africa, May 11.—The Prince of Wales spent hours in the saddle yesterday riding many miles in the open veldt and visiting Sir Abe Bailey's stock farms.

The prince refused the offer of a motor car and chose a spirited horse which in the morning had bolted with one of his aides. On this high stepping animal, the prince started at full gallop and soon was a mile or two ahead of his party.

The Screen

"Chickie," which opened yesterday at Hunt's Craterian, closes tonight. It is the adaptation of Elenore Meherin's sensational newspaper story of the same title.

Dorothy Mackaill is surrounded by an all star cast including John Rogers, Howard Ross, Myrtle Steadman, Gladys Brockwell, Olive Tell, Paul Nicholson, Lora Soderstrom and Louise Mackintosh.

It is a story that brings tears and laughter. The picture is teeming with thrilling dramatic situations, suspense, comedy, pathos and excellent acting.

At the Rialto.

"The Arab" opens tomorrow matinee at the Rialto theater. It is one of the greatest of Rex Ingram's pictures, the man who produced "The Four Horsemen" and is superbly acted by a cast that includes Ramon Novarro and Alice Terry. The picture was filmed in Algiers and Tunisia.

"Wife of the Centaur" closes at the Rialto theater tonight.

The story is based upon the serious theory that every man is a "centaur," that he is half beast and half man, a battlefield in which the war of conflicting emotions is always being waged.

Eleanor Boardman, as the wife, and Allen Pringle, as the "other woman" head the cast.

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BULGARIA CLAIMS BOMBERS CONFESS

VIENNA, May 11.—(By Associated Press.) Dispatches from Sofia say that all the principals charged with responsibility for the recent bombing of the Sveti-Kral cathedral, in which 160 persons were killed have pleaded guilty with the exception of one defendant named Koseff.

The court deferred judgment after the pleas of guilty were made. Marco Friedmann, alleged leader of the conspiracy, asked that he be shot in the event the death penalty is imposed. Zdzgorsky, sacristan of the cathedral, charged with having assisted the conspirators, begged that he be imprisoned, not killed, so that he might atone his misdeed by prayer and penitence. The other defendants pleaded for leniency.

AIR FLIGHT TO N. POLE POSTPONED 3 WEEKS

OSLO, Norway, May 11.—(By the Associated Press.) Dispatches from Spitzbergen confirm the report that Roald Amundsen and his companions have been forced to postpone the start of the attempted airplane flight to the north pole for three weeks because of the unfavorable ice conditions and the wintry season.

MOTHERS DAY IS COMMEMORATED THRUOUT LAND

WASHINGTON, May 11.—(By Associated Press.) Homage was paid to the sacrifice of American mothers in the nation's war in Mother's day ceremonies yesterday at Arlington national cemetery, while army posts thruout the country were doing honor to the nation's motherhood in more or less simple ceremonies under a program promulgated by the war department.

American mothers of those lost in the World war were joined in the observance at Arlington by women from other lands which felt the war's scourge through the attendance of delegations here of the International Council of Women. The German and Austrian delegations, who absented themselves from the Arlington ceremonies attended Mother's day services at Washington churches, instead explaining that they felt that their presence at the amphitheater would be inappropriate.

Acting Secretary Davis of the war department delivered the principal address before the gathering in the amphitheater.

Speaking for the attending foreign delegations of the Women's Council, Lady Aberdeen, its president, declared "this is a day in which the mothers of all countries can join to hold high the example of those valiant young lives whose loss has darkened so many homes."

SEVERAL KILLED IN PHILIPPINE QUAKES

MANILA, May 11.—(By the Associated Press.) Two women were killed during the recent earthquakes in the town of Bala and several persons were killed as a result of the tremors at Bacang, Occidental Negros province. This information was contained in an official telegram received this morning at the office of Governor General Leonard Wood.

WHAT 1800 FAMILIES KNOW ABOUT ELECTRIC COOKING

THEY will tell you it is a new kind of luxury—one that doesn't cost more to enjoy.

Of course you have always appreciated the advantages of cooking by electricity. You know that it means no more fuel to carry; no more ashes to lug. You know that electricity is the ideal cooking heat; economical because it is turned on when you need it—not before; turned off when you're through—not later.

But perhaps you would like to know exactly what it costs—in dollars and cents. The 1800 satisfied families who now use electric ranges served with electricity by this company would gladly show you their bills, if they could.

We have made an average of these bills, so that we may give you the facts. The average cost of electric lights alone in all homes served by this company in Oregon is \$2.20 a month. The average cost of their electric lights and electric cooking together is \$5.62 a month.

For the difference, could you buy ordinary fuel for cooking? And if you could, would you want to? Whenever you decide to investigate this question of electric cooking closely, your nearest dealer will tell you many interesting things. And he is prepared to install your new electric range at once, on convenient terms.

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The Highway Commission finds 90% of the damage is caused by 4% of the traffic. This 4% includes for-hire trucks and busses operating as common carriers for their private gain.

The last Legislature passed a law requiring these for-hire busses and trucks to pay a moderate charge to reimburse the State and Counties in part only for the damage these heavy busses and trucks are doing to the highway. Whether this law becomes effective May 28, 1925, rests with the people.

The Motor Bus and Freight Truck Associations are circulating referendum petitions to hold up this law until November, 1926. If the people sign these referendum petitions, the private car owners and the general taxpayer will continue to pay the tremendous cost of maintaining these highways without receiving substantial help or aid from these for-hire trucks and busses that are doing most of the damage.

When you are asked to sign one of these petitions remember that it is a commercial bus or truck company that is asking you to relieve them of paying for the great damage that they are doing to our roads.

Refuse to sign these petitions and advise your neighbors to do the same.

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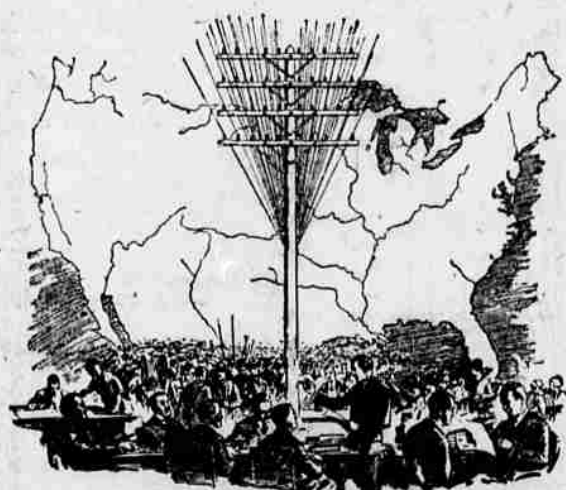
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